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**PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

A one month extension of time, to and including May 15, 2002, is requested for response to the Final Office Action dated January 15, 2002.

Please charge the fee of \$110.00 for the extension to the account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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